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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GRAND OPENING BROWN v. BOARD OF EDUCATION NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

The National Park Service grand opening of the *Brown v. Board of Education* National Historic Site will be held Monday, May 17, 2004--the 50th Anniversary of the United States Supreme Court decision.

Confirmed participants include Interior Secretary Gale Norton; Education Secretary Rod Paige; Julian Bond, President, NAACP; Robert Stanton, Chair, National Park Foundation African American Experience Fund, and the winner of the Commission's national *Brown* essay contest to name a few.

NOW LET ME FLY

Washburn University in Kansas premiers Maria Cebulska's play "Now Let Me Fly" on May 17, 2004, in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of *Brown*.



For more information call TPAC at (785) 234-2787 or visit the website.

EXHIBIT OFFERS EVEN HAND

There will be a special viewing of the Library of Congress' latest exhibit, "With an Even Hand: Brown at Fifty." The exhibit features more than 100 items from the Library's collections of books, photographs, political cartoons, manuscripts, maps, music and film.

MOTION PICTURE COMMEMORATING BROWN PREMIERES

Award-winning filmmaker Peter Gilbert, who produced "Hoop Dreams," has completed his latest film and the first Discovery Docs theatrical release entitled "With All Deliberate Speed." The film, commemorating the U.S. Supreme Court's groundbreaking decision on *Brown*, premieres in select theaters across the United States Friday, May 14, 2004.

MIX MEDIA MENTIONS OF "BROWN"....

Throughout the year, thousands of media outlets will focus on the 50th Anniversary of the 1954 *Brown v. Board* decision. The Commission invites you to read beyond the headlines, such as:

- " Tight Guard Awaits Guests" Erin Adamson (The Capital-Journal)
- "Race and Education: The 50th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education" Jack Ludwig (The Gallup Organization)
- "The Legacy of School Busing" (NPR)
- "The Downside of Desegregation" Phil Walzer and Matthew Bowers (The Virginian-Pilot)
- "Brown Celebration A Success" Ben McNeely (Technician)

COMMISSIONER PROFILE



Michael K. Young, Commissioner representing the United States Supreme Court. Commissioner Young is the Dean and Lobingier Professor of Comparative Law and Jurisprudence at the George Washington University Law School. He was the Fuyo Professor of Japanese Law and Legal Institution at the Columbia University School of Law, and Ambassador for Trade and Environmental Affairs under President George Bush. A prolific writer, Dean Young's latest book is *Japanese Law in Context: Readings in Society, the Economy, and Politics*. This former law clerk for Supreme Court Chief Justice Rehnquist graduated summa cum laude from Brigham Young University, and from the Harvard Law School, magna cum laude.

INTERESTING BROWN LINKS

- The College of William and Mary
- Wheaton College
- Harvard Law School

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